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W. R. Dunham of Webb City, and E. J. Dunham of Ft. Scott, brothers, have permanently established a district distributing station in Baxter Springs for the Overland and Willis-Knight line of automobiles. A. J. Thomas of Joplin, will erect a business block on Main street in the near future for the new company, meanwhile it will have quarters in the Jefferson Highway Garage. The Baxter business will be in charge of E. J. Dunham, who is already on the ground. Besides handling the new line of cars, Dunham Brothers will buy and sell used cars. W. R. Dunham for years has operated a large automobile business at Webb City and it is the purpose of the brothers to make the Baxter house fully as important as the one at Webb City.

A. Harvey, of Cherryvale, Kas., sends in the price to have his name added to The News' growing subscription list. The Harveys left Baxter last August, but still have property interests here.

W. E. Stoskopf of Blue Mound and Alva Chubb went to Freeport, Ill., last week to attend the funeral of the former's uncle, John Bastian, who died on January 25. They returned Thursday.

O. M. Spratt spent a portion of last week in Kansas City on business.

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BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS

By the bite of a dog, which occurred last Thursday, two children of Bert Low and one child of Earl Wade, both families living out on rural route 1, were inoculated with the germs of hydrophobia.

Immediately following the biting of the children Dr. Boswell was called and he sent the head of the animal to the bacteriologist at Topeka for examination and on Tuesday information was received here that the specimen contained typical signs of rabies. Acting on this report the parents took their children to Rosedale, Kas., Wednesday to be treated at the Pasteur institute.

The dog that bit the children was a puppy, belonging to the Wades. It first bit the Wade child and then wandered two miles to the Lowe farm, biting the children when they saw it and attempted to take it in the house to warm. The pup it appears was bitten about three weeks ago by a dog that afterwards was found dead. A similar case, of one child being bitten, is reported from Galena this week. Rabies in winter is as common as in the summer, it is claimed, and the trouble is often due to the neglect of owners in not giving their dogs plenty of water to drink.

E. W. Dow, of Salina, Kans., is in the city for an indefinite stay looking after his interests in the Baxter Telephone Exchange. Mr. Dow put in the local telephone system and personally managed the business for about 15 years, leaving here only about a year ago when the company was thrown into the hands of a receiver. The Cooper Estate is financially interested in the company with Mr. Dow. He had heard of the business revival here, but was rather surprised at the change that has been taken place in one short year.

Mrs. Geo. Kension of Riverton is visiting relatives at Baxter.

Atty. R. E. Rosenstein transacted business at the county seat Saturday afternoon.

Attention Farmers!

I have for sale at right prices the following farm machinery, all in first class condition:

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MANY NEW HOMES

Residences and Business Houses Now Building Number Nearly Fifty Many More in Prospect.

BY CRAWDAD

The Baxter of today is far from the Baxter of a few years ago. The spirit of thrift is manifest in all parts of the town for one can see scores of new buildings going up in all parts of the city, and a cry for more houses for business purposes and for residences is daily heard. Baxter Springs is now a permanent fixture on the commercial map and her population will be quadrupled by the first of April, 1918. This city is now on the road leading to a great future.

In our rounds over the city we found scores of new residences in course of construction and others ready to begin work when the present cold spell gives away. Many new buildings are already up and occupied. There is a cry for houses and the cry cannot be stopped, for there are no houses to be found until they are built, which will be done as soon as weather conditions will permit.

Then Baxter Spring has a number of business men who will stand "bitched" on any proposition for the betterment and the upbuilding of the town. The roads leading to our city are in good repair which is a valuable asset to the future of the city. More good roads will be built for the business men are here who love good roads and know what a good road means to any town, men who are not afraid to turn a dollar loose for the purpose of making our public highways better.

A complete system of sewers will be installed which will be much in favor of the people in a sanitary sense. A better system of water works will be installed, giving the city plenty of good water and a ready and effective remedy to fight fires. What Baxter now is lacking she soon will have, for her business men are not asleep but to the contrary, very much awake and ready to push ahead.

Baxter is now the "Gateway" to the mining district of the entire country and is encircled with the richest and best mines to be found. What better can Baxter ask than the present outlook for a grand future.

Real estate in the last few months has been hiked in prices until it is feared that the price will go beyond the reach of the working people and become a hindrance to them becoming one of us. The poorer classes should have some consideration and be given a chance to obtain lots and upon which to build homes.

Baxter must grow, for the surroundings are of such a nature she can not help but forge to the front. If you want to live in a good town, come to Baxter. If you want to engage in any business, come to Baxter. If you want to find a city of good schools and churches, come to Baxter. If you want a nice place to live and good water to drink, come to Baxter. If you want to live in one of the best towns of South-east Kansas, where the best people are to be found, the best advantages to be obtained, come to Baxter Springs, the best town on the map for miles around.

Below is a partial list of the new residences gone up and now being erected in the different parts of the city. Our representa-

tative, while traveling over the city in request of other information, was surprised at the marked improvement now going in Baxter Springs in the way of building. The usual observer would hardly believe the report, but seeing is believing. The marked improvement is due to the spirit of cooperation, which is very much manifest here at this time and has been for some time.

Baxter Springs can well boast of a class of business men who are ever alert to the needs of a city in advancing its growth. Good roads mean much to a town and the business men have constantly kept this idea before them and the results have been very satisfactory. The building spirit has now a firm grasp on the city and the movement will continue to grow, until Baxter will, as the common remark now being heard, become a "Second Joplin."

We will now give you a partial list of what is now to be seen in our city in the way of building.

In the south part of town we found Mr. G. E. Richardson of Cartersville, who owns 12 lots and is erecting a house 26x42, 5 rooms with bath, closets and pantry and will have the building ready for occupancy in about five weeks. Mr. Richardson will sell the building or use the same for a residence.

We next come to three 5-room cottages being erected by W. T. Gregory of the city. The buildings are a credit to any town and will, we were informed, be for rent or for sale by Mr. Gregory. Mr. G. B. Lamb was in charge of the painting and decorating which was done in a very artistic manner.

The next stop was at the property of C. H. Gailey, who will in a short time begin the erection of 26x32, 5-room house in the south part of town.

George Trammel has well under way a 26x32, 4-room house with bath, in the southeast part of town and the same will soon reach completion and be ready for occupancy.

C. W. Gaither of Columbus, was busy at work on a 24x40 bungalow with 5 rooms, bath, closets and other things necessary to make a house complete and cozy. He also has another similar building on the southside which will be rushed to completion in a short time. Mr. Gaither is erecting a 24x34, 5-room cottage for Mrs. Margaret Mead and the same will be rushed to completion as fast as the weather conditions will permit.

L. H. Barrett is building a 4 room house on south Military and the same is now almost ready to be occupied. We were informed that Mr. Andrews is the contractor and has pushed the work as to have the building ready for use this month.

G. W. Hedrick has a 24x32, 4 room cottage almost completed and the building when finished will compare favorably with most of the residences now being erected in the town. Mr. Hedrick resides on south Military.

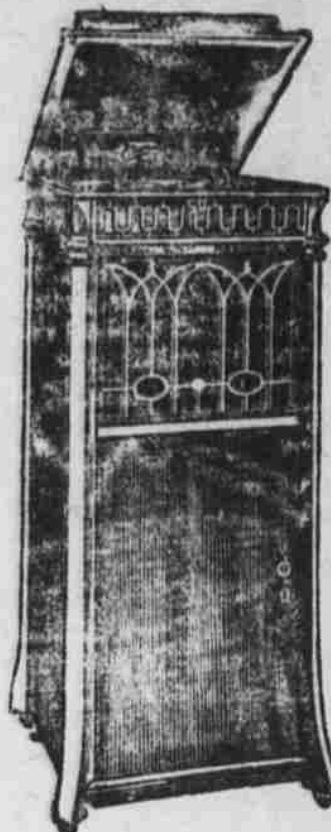
Our next stop was at the new residence of Charlie Gaines, who is building, and will have the same completed in a short time, a 26x34, 5-room cottage with water, gas and electric lights. Charlie has an eye for beauty and

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But you will remember that the grasshopper that sang all summer got his singer early out of tune when winter time arrived. It's fun to go the fast pace, but not unless you can afford it. It's better to play safe than to be sorry afterward. It's better to save a little as you go along than to whiz off into the future on high speed and land in the ditch. The rich men of today were the saving men of yesterday almost without exception. Our bank offers you every opportunity for systematic saving.

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